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TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of telephone exchanges set up in Gujarat during the Ninth Plan period;

(b) whether all the exchanges in the State have been provided with STD/ISD facilities and internet services;;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the criteria adopted to provide these facilities to the States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) The total number of telephone exchanges set up in Gujarat during the Ninth Plan period is 1827.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. As on 28.02.2005, total 3290 telephone exchanges are in Gujarat. All these telephone exchanges have been provided with STD/ISD and Internet services.

(d) Does not arise in view of (b) & (c) above.

(e) The STD/ISD and internet facility is extended to the customers on application.